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In re Patent Application of

Kenneth G. Noggle

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Title: CUTTING TOOL ADJUSTMENT DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 3722

Examiner: Dana Ross

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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End	closed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.				
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.				
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\sum \\$55.00 (2814) \$\sum \\$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. \\$ 1.20(d) are also enclosed.				
	Also enclosed is/are				
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.				
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$395.00 (2801) \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).				
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.				
	Applicant(s) previously submitted				
	on, for which continued examination is requested.				
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.				
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed				

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×	No additional claim fee is required.
	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

		A	MEND	ED CLAIMS		
	No. of Claims	Highe of Cl Previo Paid	aims ously	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	20	MINUS	20 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS	4 =	0	x \$88.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claim	ıs, add	\$300.00 (1203)		
Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$ 0.00			
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$ 0.00			
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT			\$ 0.00			

A check in the amount	of	is enclosed for the fee due.
Charge	to Deposit Accou	unt No. 02-4800.
Charge	to credit card. F	Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

Reconsideration of the rejection made in the Official Action dated July 30, 2004 is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7 stand rejected as obvious over Basteck in view of Matthews, but applicant respectfully traverses that rejection.

It would not have been obvious to modify Basteck in view of Matthews by making Basteck's wedging device 37 directly attached to the holder 12. Basteck is attempting to make precision adjustments of a cutter 18.

> The object of the invention is to provide a machine reamer of the type described that permits sensitive, accurate adjustment of the cutter in the longitudinal direction of the slot. (Basteck, column 1, lines 28-31 emphasis added)

Securement of the cutter 18 is achieved by a different device, namely a clamping claw 19.

> In the guide slot 17, an elongated lamina-like cutter 18 is guided and is fastened by means of a clamping claw 19. (Basteck, column 2, lines 35-37)